U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. 6834-1-3 UTILITY Attorney Docket No. PATENT APPLICATION Shepherd, Steven H. First Inventor TRANSMITTAL Padded Shoe Express Mail Label No. | EV 346753138 US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: **Box Patent Application** See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Washington, DC 20231 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission 1 See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) Specification [Total Pages | 20 3. [Computer Readable Form (CRF) ferred arrangement set forth belov - Descriptive title of the invention b. Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, i i. 🔲 paper or a computer program listing appendix Statements verifying identity of above copies - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 9 - Claim(s) Power of 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement - Abstract of the Disclosure 10. (when there is an assignee) Attorney English Translation Document (if applicable) Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12. 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages Citations Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Newly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) 13. Preliminary Amendment Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 16. (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). or its equivalent. 6. Other: Request for 1 Month Extension of Time Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. 🗸 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: 10 , 194,777 1 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Examiner: Patterson, Marie Group Art Unit: _3728 Prior application information: For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS 30448 (Insert Customer No. or Attach bar code label here) Correspondence address below 1 Customer Number or Bar Code Label Name Mark D. Passler Akerman Senterfitt P.O. Box 3188 Address

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